MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Government have not so far received any complaint about any appointment made by the Transport Superintendent.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE: Is it not possible for the member to infer from the series of questions asked on the floor of the House that there is an indication of some such complaint against the Transport Superintendent?

PRESIDENT: Does the honourable member say that another honourable member's question is indicative of that opinion?

MR. E. P. VARGHESE: No, Sir. I was just drawing the attention of the Government member that from the questions asked by the non-official members whether it could not be inferred that there is something wrong in the appointments done by the Transport Superintendent?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: When these questions were received by Government, they only appreciated them in the light of the anxiety entertained by non-officials in regard to communal classification. That matter, Government are familiar enough and I may say that appointments by Government are given on communal considerations, consistent with efficiency wherever possible.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE: If there are 200 employees in a particular office, is it difficult for Government to arrange those employees on communal basis?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: There is absolutely no difficulty in regard to that. At the present moment Government thought that the time and labour spent in the preparation of those statistics, were out of proportion to its public utility.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: Were not the claims of the disbanded men of other Companies considered by Mr. Salter in filling up vacancies?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: The Transport Superintendent did pay attention and as a matter of fact he recruited some of the persons thrown out from the personal service of other companies.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORATHARAKAN: നിയമനവിഷയത്തിൽ അനീതി യുണ്ടോ എന്ന് ലിസ്റ്റ് കാണാതിരുന്നാൽ എങ്ങിനെ അറിയും?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: I do not at all believe that from the list the inference could be drawn that there has been an injustice or unfairness in recruiting officers for the Transport department. But, as I said Government are not reluctant to place the list on the table.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORATHARAKAN: ആ ലിസ്റ്റിനെ പ്രസ്ഥാപിക്കുന്നതിന് മേലുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: It will be considered.

Statement, by communities of persons employed in the State Transport Department.

49. * MR. P. K. KUNJU: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by communities of all the persons employed in

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[Mr. P. K. Kunju.]

the State Transport Department showing the grade of their pay and educational qualifications ?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: The Transport Department is conducted on a commercial basis without advertence to the Rules in respect of recruitments to the Public Service and the question of appointments according to communities does not therefore arise.

MR. P. K. KUNJU: ജാതി തിരിച്ചും ശമ്പളത്തിന്റെ തോതു് വിവരിച്ചും ഉള്ള ഒരു പട്ടിക വേണമെന്നാവശ്യപ്പെട്ടതിൽ അതിനുള്ള മറുപടി സമുദായപ്രാതിനിധ്യവാദത്തിനു അവകാശമില്ലെന്നാണു.

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: I admit that answer to one part of the question has been omitted I now apologise for the omission. The answer is as follows :

Ministerial staff.

1 Chief Accountant
20 Clerks
1 Typist
10 Peons.

Non-ministerial staff.

2 District Inspectors
8 Checking Inspectors
105 Drivers
105 Conducters
81 Parcel Clerks
1 Garage Engineer
27 Fitters and a few Fitter coolies and Cleaners.

In regard to their qualifications, except a few who were recruited from the thrown out Companies, all the posts had been given to either graduates or to persons having E. S. L. C. qualification.

MR. P. K. KUNJU: ജാതി തിരിച്ചുള്ള ലിസ്റ്റു തയ്യാറാക്കിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ ?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Such a list has not been prepared.

MR. P. K. KUNJU: അവർക്കു ശമ്പളം എത്രയെന്നു പറയാമോ ?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Their scales of pay are as follows :

Ministerial staff.

Chief Accountant (100-5-125)
Clerks 7 (40-5-70)
10 (25-3-40)
3 (20-1-25)
Typist (25-3-40)
Peons (9-1/6-11).

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Non-ministerial :

District Inspectors (50-5-70)
Checking Inspectors (40-2-50)
105 Drivers (30-2-40)
105 Conductors (25-1-30)
Parcel Clerks (10)
Garage Engineer (100-5-125)
Fitters 6 (40-5-70)
6 (30-2-40)
2 (25-3-40)
13 (20).
Fitter coolies (13)
Cleaners (10).

MR. P. K. KUNJU: ഇതിൽ ട്രാൻസ്പോർട്ട് സൂപ്രണ്ടിനെക്കുടെ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: I have already informed the House that the Transport Superintendent is being paid Bh. Rs. 1,000 per mensem. When the budget is presented the members will see that.

Statement by communities of the employees in the Transport Department.

50. ❋ **MR. M. G. MATTHEW**: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement by communities of all the persons employed in the State Transport Department showing the grade of their pay and educational qualifications?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: The Transport Department is conducted on a commercial basis without advertence to the Rules in respect of recruitments to the Public Service and the question of appointments according to communities does not therefore arise.

Statement, by caste, of the employees in the Transport Department.

51. ❋ **MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of persons selected as drivers, conductors and parcel clerks in the Transport Department?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: The Transport Department is conducted on a commercial basis without advertence to the Rules in respect of recruitments to the Public Service and the question of appointments according to communities does not therefore arise.

Conductors in the State Transport Department.

52. ❋ **MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any qualification has been prescribed for conductors entertained in the Transport Department;

(*b*) the total number of applications received by the Department from graduates for the said post;

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